

POLICE TO PLEAD FOR SANE FOURTH

Chief. Werner Warns Parents
About Proper Observance of
July Holiday.

TOY CAR PISTOL UNDER BAN

Citizens Urged to Co-operate in
General Effort to Prevent Ac-
cident and Protect Life.

With the advent of the glorious Fourth close at hand comes the dread of fatalities resulting from the careless handling of firecrackers and small firearms. As a rule, the Fourth of July is observed in Richmond with becoming mildness, but still it generally has its train of accidents with which, with due precaution, be avoided. The Police Department will issue instructions about the use of firecrackers and firearms. No cracker larger than a No. 5 will be permitted, and no firearm, even the toy pistol, will be allowed on the streets, and dealers found selling either will be punished according to law.

Cry for a Sane Fourth.
The cry is for a sane Fourth. So many accidents generally result from the exultant spirit in the celebration of Independence Day that precautionary measures have been taken against it in every city in the United States. Statistics compiled on the Fourth of July deaths and casualties reach an alarming number—the more alarming when it is considered that they are so unnecessary and so easily avoidable.

In New York last year there were seven deaths from lockjaw, which due precaution would have prevented. The Health Department in that city has already issued warnings as to the careful observance of the day, and has called on every citizen to co-operate in the work of preventing unnecessary loss of life. Casualties of such a nature in Richmond have fortunately been very rare, yet they are as liable to happen here as anywhere else.

Major Werner is specially anxious that the law on the subject shall be properly observed and that parents shall see to it that their children do not handle any explosives of a dangerous character. He stated that the great day usually gives the department but little trouble, and that its observance by the people is usually of a character that is not too demonstrative and too dangerous.

Yet every Fourth has its quota of accidents, and some child goes through life afterwards minus a finger, possibly an eye or a limb, or, perhaps, dies as the result of its own and its parents' carelessness. The day may be spent with all the joys known to childhood or exultant old age, and yet without peril to life and limb. There are firecrackers in plenty of small power, which may bring delight to those fond of noise and tumult, and which yet may not be classed as dangerous.

Firearms, of the most insignificant nature, are totally tabooed. More deaths have resulted from the use of toy cap pistols than from any other cause known to Fourth of July performers. Against the use of these, Major Werner issues a special warning. On the last Fourth there were innumerable minor accidents, though, fortunately, few were of a serious nature. This time they may be of more serious consequences.

And so it is for a sane Fourth that health officers and Police Department alike plead.
But in case of injury treatment is necessary at once. The child injured should be taken to a hospital, physician or dispensary for immediate treatment, even though the wound might be regarded at first as of an unimportant nature. Immediate treatment is absolutely necessary, for tetanus may set in at any time, and when it has once gained headway all the physicians and all the medicine in the world are alike useless, and death results in the most agonizing form. And yet it is easily avoidable. It needs only the proper amount of precaution to avert danger, and life and limb may be saved where they are otherwise lost through sheer carelessness.

RE-ELECT OLD OFFICERS

Southern Stock Yards Ends First Five Months Here.

At the annual meeting of the Southern Stock Yards Corporation held yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock officers and a board of directors were elected for the ensuing year. All the officers and directors of last year were re-elected, as follows: J. C. Smith, president; A. L. McCullen, vice-president; T. A. Smyth, secretary and treasurer; directors, all the officers and Messrs. O. J. Sands, C. C. Reed and W. J. Kline.

The corporation has now been here about five months, and business has been very satisfactory. The stock yards is the largest in the South and one of the largest in the country, carrying on an immense trade in this and other States.

INHUMAN FATHER MALTREATS GIRL

E. L. Morris Charged With As-
saulting Nineteen-Year Old
Daughter.

E. L. Morris, of 1400 Taylor Street, was arrested yesterday by Police Officer Tait on a charge of assaulting and cruelly beating his nineteen-year-old daughter, Fannie Morris, and locked up in the Second Police Station. According to the daughter and a neighbor, the beating was of a most brutal character. Her head and face were covered with welts and bruises, and she was in a state bordering on hysteria when the officer and friends arrived.

Miss Morris stated that she had just come from the Virginia Hospital, where she is to be operated on in a few days, with a friend, and on arriving at home, found her father beating her mother. She interfered and remonstrated with him, and he turned his fury on her. She says that he knocked her down and beat her with a chair. When she screamed, a friend ran for an officer. Police Officer Tait came at once, and entered the house when he heard the cry of murder.

The young girl says that it is the second time she has had to call on the police to protect her, and at least one neighbor testifies against Morris' character. He refused to discuss the case, but exhibited two small scratches which he said he received in the row. His daughter was covered with bruises.

ROSA MARCHETTI CONTEST LEADER

Great Interest in Pony and Cart
Race Conducted by The
Times-Dispatch.

The Times-Dispatch Pony and Cart Contest is now on in earnest. Today's count shows that more than 2,000 votes have been cast already. Every mail brings inquiries from interested parties.

Rosa Marchetti leads with 813 votes, Glen McLaughlin being a close second with 538.

The pony and cart will arrive this week, and will be driven about town, so that every one can see the handsome offering. All the prizes have been carefully selected, and will be sure to please any boy or girl.

Contestants who have not entered can secure full information from the manager of the Pony and Cart Contest at The Times-Dispatch. The coupons are valuable. A few thousand votes can be obtained with little difficulty.

Following is the standings in The Times-Dispatch Pony and Cart Contest:
Rosa Marchetti, 117 South Linden Street, Richmond, 813.
Glen McLaughlin, 18 North Thirtieth Street, Richmond, 538.
Helen Nolte, 118 East Canal Street, Richmond, 412.
Lena Tatarsky, 1908 East Franklin Street, Richmond, 111.
Gray Schweickert, 2504 East Marshall Street, Richmond, 96.
James Sytle, 2018 Ivy Street, Richmond, 80.
Kenney Goode, 2414 East Marshall Street, Richmond, 74.
James Laws, 114 East Ninth Street, Manchester, 63.
Shelton, 1212 East Broad Street, Richmond, 49.
James Harvey, 505 East Clay Street, Richmond, 48.
Thomas D. Steel, 400 East Main Street, Richmond, 40.
Henry L. Miller, Richmond, 10.
Charles S. Ford, Richmond, 3.
Nicholas Drake, Richmond, 2.

AWARD MUSIC MEDALS

Miss Keese's Class Receives Honors for Proficiency and Advancement.

Closing exercises of Miss Marie E. Keese's Music School were held at Corcoran Hall on Friday. Medals were awarded by the Rev. Hugh McKeeffrey, as follows:

Gold medal in theory class—Miss Mary Bolling.
First attendance medal—Miss Dora Davis.
Second attendance medal—Miss Maud Cosby.
Third attendance medal—Mrs. Alice Neuhoff.

Gold medal for best practice work—Miss Bessie Sale Haynes.
Second best practice work—Misses Bessie Gordon and Pearl Wilson.
Gold medal for best exercise work—Miss Susie Cook.

Gold medal for second best exercise work—Miss Ida Holderhoff.
Gold medal for best scale work—Miss Ethel Smith.

Gold medal for second best scale work—Miss Nannie Garthright.
Gold medals for progress in first grade—Misses Ethel Atkins, Rebecca Cannon, Mabel Daniels, Lillie Kelley, Sallie Reed, Annie Moschetti and Lottie Shugart.

Gold medals in second grade—Misses Evelyn Davis, Lola Gaundling, Ruth Weed and Virginia Maker.
Gold medals for progress in junior grade—Misses Alice Richards, Sadie Overton, Eunice Evans, Rose Fletcher and Louise Nichols.

Gold medals for proficiency in the mandolin class—Misses Ella Blue, Margaret Mammel and Myrtle Johnson.
Gold pins—Misses Marie Ford and Virgie Spears.

After the awarding of prizes Miss Keese was presented with a pair of diamond earrings by her pupils.

Fined for Kissing Girl.
W. T. Stone, a furniture polisher, was fined \$5 by Magistrate Cheatham, of Chesterfield county, yesterday on a warrant charging him with "unlawfully and by force against her will attempting to have carnal knowledge of" a North Fifth Street, this city. Stone was arrested here by Detective-Sergeant Gibson and turned over to Constable Watts, of Chesterfield county.

Cars in Collision.
A Broad and Main Street car "side-swiped" a Main Street car at the corner of Eighth and Main Streets at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and the latter was badly scratched, though not seriously damaged. No one on either of the cars was hurt. Both cars were going at a slow rate of speed.

Charged With Theft.
Sam Carter, colored, was arrested yesterday afternoon on a warrant charging him with stealing several harness rings from J. T. Mitchell. The arrest was made by Bicycle Policeman Bolton.

PERMITS BOYS TO PLAY THEIR GAME

Delegation Calls on Major Werner With Petition Signed by Fifty Citizens.

Headed by Justice Crutehfield, a committee of boys from the West End called on Major Werner yesterday and presented to him a petition signed by fifty residents living in the neighborhood of Grove Avenue and Morris Street, asking that they be allowed to continue playing that time-honored game "Follow Your Leader." Major Werner wiped his glasses, and carefully read the paper. Then he gazed absently out of the window across to the Capitol Square. Before him floated visions of the days when he, too, was a boy in knee breeches, getting into all sorts of deviltry and following his leader. He remembered one time when he followed his leader once too often, and he could almost see the strap which hung behind his father's door. He touched the spot remissly.

"Boys," he said, turning round with misty eyes, "you won't make too much noise, will you, and you won't play around near houses where there are sick people?"

"You won't have any trouble with us," "Then go out and follow your leader." They went out, and it was not long before they were in full cry halting him.

Those who appeared before the chief were Ludwell Hill, chairman; Edward Anderson, Percy Gray, Gordon Wood and Tazewell Buchanan.

Beginning Thursday, July 9th, and Continuing During July and August, This Store Will
Close Every Thursday at 1 P. M. (Employees Half Holiday), Other Days at 6 P. M.

10c Silk Fans, 5c

Fans are likely to be needed if typical Fourth-of-July weather prevails.
Plaid Silk Fans with views of Richmond and the battleship Virginia, were 10c, now 5c.
Special values in Jap Fans; were 15c and 10c, now 10c.
(Main Floor, East.)

Miller & Rhoads

Mail orders filled at advertised prices

Squaw Bags, Serviceable for Vacations

Made of India goatskin, with a drawing string. One of the most serviceable articles to take away with you on vacation trips of any kind, as the Bag will hold so many necessary small articles—60c, 60c, \$1 each.
(Main Floor, West.)

Preparations for the 4th of July Holidays

A Decided Increase in Our Carpet and Rug Business

The fact that we are selling more carpets and rugs this year than ever before, proves very conclusively two things: First, that these articles are necessities, and secondly, that these necessities are being purchased at Miller & Rhoads.

The housekeepers of Richmond are prudent buyers, and discriminating in their tastes, which is exactly what they should be.

Our assortments of new Rugs and Carpets were selected to please people who know good values, want nice things and who must make every dollar count.

Every rug and roll of carpet was personally inspected by our experts before purchasing.

The so-called "depression in trade" has no effect on merchandise like ours. It's simply a case of the survival of the fittest.

Tapestry Brussels Rugs, 9x11 ft., for \$10.75
Ox12 ft., \$14.75.

Axminster Rugs, 9x12 ft., Oriental and floral patterns, good variety \$20

Axminster Rugs, 27x54 inches; very pretty assortment \$1.98

Velvet Carpets, choice patterns for rooms, halls and stairs; per yard 75c

Wilton Velvet and Axminster Carpets, with borders to match; \$1.35 to \$1.75 values; per yard \$1.10

China Mattings, new shipment, heavy, close weave, in checks, plaids and stripes; unequalled for value; price, including laying, per yard 25c
(Third Floor, East.)

Linen Sheets, Pillow and Bolster Cases

All pure linen; once bought, will last you almost indefinitely.

Sheets, double-bed size, 90x96 inches, hemstitched, made from a round thread linen.

Equal in value to any at \$6 pair; our price, \$5 pair.

Pillow Cases, hemstitched, 45x36 inches, extra good value, \$1 pair.

Bolster Cases, 42x72 inches, fine, soft finish, \$1.25 each.
(Main Floor, West.)

White Goods Bargains Still a Coming

Up in New Jersey there was formerly a railroad station named "Long A-Coming."—Our white Goods bargains this season have been coming swiftly and frequently.

Just a few of the many are noted this morning.

CHECKED AND STRIPED LAWNS and Fine Dotted Swiss; real 15c and 17c values, now, per yard 12½c

WHITE BASKET CLOTH, with a highly mercerized finish—a new material for skirts and suits; 25c quality; per yard 15c

Fine REP POPLIN SUITING—correct weight for making summer skirts and suits; 28 inches wide; per yard 12½c

FRENCH LAWNS, 45 inches wide, very fine goods, that washes and wears better than any sheer white goods; 25c quality, for, 12½c per yard 12½c

A Special in Silks, 75c

It's a black Japanese silk, 36 inches wide, thoroughly washtproof and perspiration-proof.

Silk is always a cool fabric for summer wear, and this one is undoubtedly the best value at 75c we or anybody else has in stock. The price is cheap, but the silk isn't cheap by any means.

(Main Floor East.)

Have You Taken Advantage of Our Special Sale of

Women's Shoes

Last week we cut the prices on nearly 1,000 pairs of women's new Shoes.

The assortments comprise all the new styles this season in Ties, Pumps and Low Shoes of all descriptions.

As we carry nothing but the best makes of Shoes you'll find that the savings will be even more than the ordinary.

\$2.50 Shoes now \$1.98
\$3.00 and \$4.00 Shoes \$2.48
\$4.00 Shoes now \$2.98
(Second Floor, Sixth Street.)

Fine China

That we're selling out cheap

The biggest China Store in the South is the natural place toward which importers turn when they wish to sell quickly for cash.

A sample lot of the china Salad Bowls, Cake Plates, Cabinets and Chocolate Pots of beautifully decorated Austrian china, and worth \$1.50 to \$2 each, now \$1.

Mayonnaise Dishes and Plates, fine china, assorted decorations; originally 39c, now 10c.

Blue and white Japanese China Cups and Saucers, dragon decorations; regular price, \$2.50 a dozen; special, \$1.89 dozen.

English Porcelain Dinner Set, originally 100 pieces, border pattern, gold tracing, silver shape, few small pieces short; original price \$25, now \$10.80.

Haviland Dinner Set, 102 pieces, floral decorations, coin gold tracing; a special at \$39.
(Basement, East.)



NEW SELF-REDUCING WITH BELT-STRAP

The above cut represents Nemo No. 312, in batiste or coutil, high bust, long hip, self-reducing, with hose supporters; \$3.

Nemo, No. 252—Good batiste, high bust, medium hip, for slight figures, hose supporters, \$2.50.

Nemo, No. 350—A lingerie Corset, in good batiste, long waisted, for slight figures, \$3.50.

Nemo, No. 516—Broche coutil, medium high bust, long hip, with hose supporters, \$5.

(Second Floor, East.)

New Belts

For the Week-End Outing

Wash Belts, in embroidered and tucked effects, with pearl buckles. Easily washed, and only 10c.

White Linen Wash Belts, with dainty embroidery, pearl buckles and detachable clasps, 25c and 50c.

Washable Belting, in white and colors at the notion counter; some very good values, 10c, 25c, 50c yard.

New Parasols Decided Concessions in Price

Every Parasol in stock is new this season. We've made some cuts in prices that should prove inducements for immediate buying.

One lot of Colored Silk and Linen Parasols, \$2.48 and \$2.98 values, now \$1.08.

Best quality \$5 and \$6.50 Parasols, in various colors, \$3.08.

Green is the leading shade in Parasols this summer. We're showing this color, with gilt tips and ferrule and enameled handles to match; special, \$2.08.

Big variety of Children's Parasols, in light blue, pink, white and red, 25c, 50c, \$1 and \$1.50.
(Main Floor, West.)

Select Your Vacation Trunk or Suit Case From This List

Or from hundreds of other equally good values not mentioned.

Have you any price or prices in mind that you'd thought of paying?—the best at each price is here, as you'll see by comparison.

Trunks, canvas covered, iron bottoms, good locks, sturdy and substantial, 30-inch size, \$3; 34-inch size, \$4.25.

30-inch Linen Lined Trunks, extra tray, excellent lock, \$6.50.

24-inch Automatic Trunks, lined with linen, extra skirt tray, fibre bound, heavy brass corners, double strap, \$11.75.

Japanese Bamboo Suit Cases, 20-inch size, \$1.25.

Sole Leather Suit Cases, linen lined, double strap, best quality lock, a \$6 value, \$4.50.

Matting Covered Suit Cases, 22-inch size, bound with leather, reinforced corners, good brass lock, \$2.25.

Black Walrus Bags, 18-inch size, japanned frame, nickel lock and trimmings, \$3.

16-inch Grain Leather Bags, linen lined, covered frame, nickel lock and trimmings, \$4.75.

16-inch Fibre Bags, japanned frame, good lining, brass lock and catches, \$1.50.
(Third Floor, West.)

Dresses Made Wash Goods Will Be Cool and Inexpensive

The Wash Goods Department demanded more room and got it.

Better able than ever to serve you with the handsomest collection of low-priced Cotton Goods that this season has shown anywhere. Half a dozen or so items mentioned—scores of others just as good.

25c Mercerized Mohair Voiles, 12½c

Checks, plaids and stripes of green, light blue, black and red.

Fabrics that were made to sell for twice the price we ask, 12 1-2c yard.

Panama Voiles, 25c yard

A wiry finish, closely resembling the woolen voiles—there's a decided difference, though, in the price.

27 inches wide, black, cream, Copenhagen, Nile, red, tan, light blue, lavender, brown and navy, 25c yard.

25 Silk Tissue and Mercerized Fancies, 19c yard

A mixture of silk and cotton, in solid colors of light blue, white, lavender, brown, old rose, sage, navy, Copenhagen and Nile, 19c yard.

Silk Dot Mulls, 15c yard

We've known 25c to be asked for the same grade.

We secured the goods low enough to sell for 15c yard.

Light blue, yellow, navy, Nile and cream, with embroidered silk dots, 15c yard.

25c Linen Finish Suiting, 12½c yd

Solid colors of white, green, navy, black, Copenhagen and tan, with colored jacquard figures.

27 inches wide—one of those fabrics that a big Northern mill needing cash was forced to sacrifice.

Beach Suiting, 15c yard.

A linen finish cloth, 34 inches wide, and true to its name as a suitable dress fabric for vacation purposes, variety of stripes, in tan, blue, green, white and pink, 15c yard.

Muslin Underwear You'll Need for the Holiday Trip

It's of as much importance as any of the other furnishings you may plan to take with you. There's nothing better made at the prices, or we would have it.

Petticoats, cambric top, deep lawn flounce, cluster of five fine tucks, with one row of lace insertion above and two rows lace insertion and edge below the tucks, \$2.

Petticoats, cambric top, deep lawn flounce, three rows Val. insertion, cluster of six fine tucks, lace edge, dust ruffle of cambric, \$2.50.

Gowns, good nainsook, chemise neck, round yoke effect of three rows Val. lace insertion; lace edge, beading and ribbon, short sleeve, open front, \$2.

Gowns, empire style, yoke effect of lace insertion and lawn, short, full sleeve, lace edge, beading and ribbon on neck and sleeves, \$2.75.

Drawers, good nainsook, lawn ruffle, cluster of six tucks, one row Val. lace insertion and edge, \$1.50.

Drawers, nainsook, deep embroidered ruffle, Swiss heading and ribbon, \$2.

Chemise, good nainsook, two rows Val. insertion across front, skirt has a ruffle with lace edge, lace edge on neck and sleeves, \$1.50.

Chemise, empire style, good nainsook, yoke effect of lawn, with Val. lace insertion; skirt has a lawn ruffle with a cluster of five tucks and lace edge, \$2.

Corset Covers, excellent quality nainsook, full front, yoke effect of Swiss medallions outlined with lace inserting; lace edge neck and sleeves, \$1.50.

Corset Covers, fine nainsook, round neck, yoke effect of two rows Val. insertion and one row Swiss insertion between; lace edge with beading and ribbon between, \$2.

(Second Floor, East.)

We Clean Lace Curtains and Blankets

They'll look like new goods after they're cleaned, and the cost of the service is comparatively small. We'll send for and deliver the articles.

Let Us Estimate for You on Slip Covers

Best materials furnished, and the prices guaranteed low. No charge for estimating.

Ribbons for the 4th, Special Prices

Taffeta, 6½ inches wide, light blue, pink, brown, navy, black and cardinal; 25c value, 10c.

Notre Taffeta, 6 inches wide, white, light blue, pink, brown and white; 30c value, 20c yard.

Notre Satin, 4 inches wide, white, light blue, male, old rose, black and brown; regular price 35c, special, 25c.

(Main Floor, 6th Street.)